Asiasat did not materialise since M/s. Asia Satellite Telecommunications Co. Ltd. sought a Rescheduling of the visit. M/s Asia Satellite Telecommunications Co. Ltd. have now requested for fresh dates for the visit.

Closing of Small Scale Units

*133. SHRI MENTAY PADMANABHAM: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that a large number of small scale units have closed down since the introduction of the New Industrial Policy;

(b) if so, the number of units closed down during the last one year;

(c) whether Government have identified the reasons for the large number of such closures; and

(d) what steps Government proposed to take to revive them?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (DEPARTMENT OF SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES AND AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES, AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. J. KURIEN): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) A number of factors both internal and external, often operating in conjunction have been responsible for industrial sickness/closure in the small scale sector. Some of the identified major reasons of sickness/closure in the small scale sector are: paucity of adequate raw materials and working capital, delayed realisation of receivables, particularly from large units, marketing problems, management deficiencies, technilogical obsolescence, frequent power cuts/trippings, labour problems, dispute among owners, natural calamities or accident, etc.

(d) Steps taken by Government to revive potentially viable sick small scale units include:

(i) Issuance of detailed guidelines by RBI to all scheduled commercial banks in regard to rehabilitation of sick units in small scale sector;

(ii) Setting up of State Level Inter-Institutional Committees (SLIICs) in all States under the Chairmanship of Secretary, Industries Department for working out a rehabilitation package for revival of viable sick small scale units;

A committee to review the arrangements for meeting the working capital and term loan requirements of small scale industries and for the rehabilitation of sick small scale industries and to examine any other issues relating to small scale industries have been appointed vide RBI memorandum date 9-12-1991.

Persons registered in A. P. Employment Exchanges

*134. DR. YELAMANCHILI SIVAJI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) how many persons are on the live registers of employment exchanges in A.P., their break up as per their qualifications;

(b) since how long they are registered and what is the likely date of maturity of their placement and the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COAL WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR): (SHRI P. A. SANGMA): (a) and (b) There were 32.6 lakhs job-seekers on the live register of employment exchanges in Andhra Pradesh as on 30th April,1992. The latest available date of registered job-seekers in Andhra Pradesh by

general education level relates to 30th June, 1991 and is given below:

	Number (in lakhs)
Total	30.8
Total Educated (Matric & above)	17.8
(i) Matric . . .	10.0
(ii) Intermediate/Higher Secondary . . .	5.1
(iii) Graduates & above .	2.7

The date on duration of stay of the job-seekers on the live register of employment exchanges are not maintained. Placement of persons registered depends on the demand made with the employment exchanges from time to time. The Eighth Five Year Plan however envisages generation of additional employment opportunities to the tune of 8 to 9 million every year, on an average, with a view to achieving a situation of near full employment over a decade.

ग्रामीण विकास के लिए कम धनराशि का आबंटन

*135. **श्री रामसिंह राठवा** : क्या प्रधान मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि सरकार ने ग्रामीण विकास के लिए गत वर्ष की तुलना में कम धनराशि आबंटित की है, यदि हां, तो उसके क्या कारण हैं ;

(ख) यदि हां, तो गत तीन वर्षों के दौरान ग्रामीण विकास के लिए आबंटित धनराशि का ब्यौरा क्या है ; और

(ग) गत तीन वर्षों के दौरान ग्रामीण विकास पर राज्य-वार कितना खर्च किया गया ?

ग्रामीण विकास मंत्रालय (ग्रामीण विकास विभाग) में राज्य मंत्री (श्री जी० वेंकटस्वामी) : (क) 1991–92 के संशोधित अनुमान में 3000 करोड़ रुपये के मुकाबले 1992–93 के दौरान योजना में ग्रामीण विकास के लिए बजट अनुमान में 3100 करोड़ रुपये का प्रावधान किया गया है ।

(ख) बजट अनुमानों तथा संशोधित अनुमानों के अनुसार 1989–90, 1990–91 तथा 1991–92 के दौरान आबंटित निधियों का ब्यौरा नीचे दर्शाया गया है :—

	1989-90	1990-91	1991-92
बजट अनुमान	2213.00	3129.08	3508.00
संशोधित अनुमान	3095.38	2975.01	3008.00

(ग) वर्ष 1989–90, 1990–91 तथा 1991–92 के दौरान ग्रामीण विकास की प्रमुख योजनाओं पर किए गए खर्च की प्रतिशतता विवरण I से विवरण V में दी गई है ।

विवरण–I

समन्वित ग्रामीण विकास कार्यक्रम के अंतर्गत पिछले तीन वर्षों के दौरान ग्रामीण विकास पर किए गए राज्यवार खर्च का प्रतिशत

राज्य	खर्च का प्रतिशत			
	1989–90	1990–91	1991–92	(अनंतिम)
1	2	3	4	5
आंध्र प्रदेश . .	109.47	135.84	127.45	